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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0030] on pages 8-9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

5 [0030] In certain implementations, removable storage (instead of or in addition to remote storage), such as secondary storage 104b may be used to maintain back-up copies of all or a subset of the primary storage 104a, and the techniques of the invention transfer data to the removable storage rather than to the remote storage. The removable storage may reside at the primary storage controller 106a.

10 Please replace paragraph [0060] on page 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

15 [0060] The described techniques for transmitting tasks and subtasks may be implemented as a method, apparatus or article of manufacture using standard programming and/or engineering techniques to produce software, firmware, hardware, or any combination thereof. The term “article of manufacture” as used herein refers to a storage medium having code or logic implemented therein, and a transmission medium having code or logic implemented therein. As used herein, the term “storage medium having code or logic implemented therein” refers to code or logic implemented in hardware logic (e.g., an integrated circuit chip, Programmable Gate Array (PGA), Application Specific Integrated Circuit (ASIC), etc.) or a computer readable medium, such as magnetic storage medium (e.g., hard disk drives, floppy disks, tape, etc.), optical storage (CD-ROMs, optical disks, etc.), volatile and non-volatile memory devices (e.g., EEPROMs, ROMs, PROMs, RAMs, DRAMs, SRAMs, firmware, programmable logic, etc.). Code in the computer readable medium is accessed and executed by a processor complex. The code in which preferred embodiments are implemented may further be accessible through a transmission media or from a file server over a network. In such cases, the article of manufacture in which the code is implemented may comprise a transmission media, such as a network transmission line, wireless transmission media,

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signals propagating through space, radio waves, infrared signals, etc. Thus, the “article of manufacture” may comprise the medium in which the code is embodied. Additionally, the “article of manufacture” may comprise a combination of hardware and software components in which the code is embodied, processed, and executed. Of course, those skilled in the art will recognize that many modifications may be made to this configuration without departing from the scope of the present invention, and that the article of manufacture may comprise any information bearing medium known in the art.

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